HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 721

By Moody

A RESOLUTION to recognize and congratulate Beverly Rudd, Tennessee Health Care Association's 2013 Caregiver of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Beverly Rudd, who has been a certified nursing assistant for the past sixteen years at Covington Care Nursing and Rehabilitation Center; and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2013, during the Tennessee Health Care Association's celebration of Nursing Home Caregiver Appreciation Day, Beverly Rudd was named and honored as that organization's 2013 Caregiver of the Year, an honor that quite appropriately befits her attention to service and performance of duties; and

WHEREAS, chosen from a statewide pool of seventy nominees, Ms. Rudd epitomizes the theme of that celebratory day, "The Extra Mile." Her superiors and colleagues know her as one who consistently gives her all and more to brighten days and ease loneliness and suffering of the residents for whom she cares: and

WHEREAS, she is known for a compassionate outlook on life that is complemented by an uncommon spirit of dedication; indeed, Ms. Rudd epitomizes all good qualities that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rudd has exhibited enthusiastic initiative in her workplace; she started her facility's Day Resort program for residents with dementia, and she oftentimes sits with and brings passing peace and comfort to those who are dying when there is no family present; and

WHEREAS, she is also known as an avid volunteer away from the workplace and often spends her days off helping co-workers who are in need; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Beverly Rudd for her dedication to her profession and to the care of vulnerable citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize and congratulate Beverly Rudd, Tennessee Health Care Association's 2013 Caregiver of the Year, and we extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.